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In re Application of: Alan F. Graves et al.

Examiner: Tran, Dung D.

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For: **OPTICAL SWITCH WITH POWER EQUALIZATION**Commissioner for Patents
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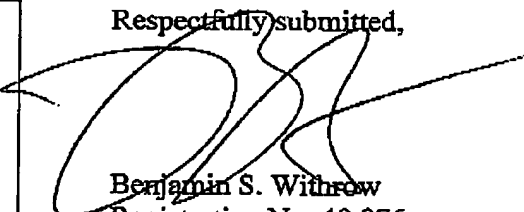
Sir:

ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Please consider this a request for a one-month extension of time for responding to the Advisory Action in the above-identified application. A Notice of Appeal is being filed concurrently with this extension. Enclosed is a credit card payment form for \$620.00 to pay the associated fees with this extension of time and Notice of Appeal. If any additional fees are required in association with this request, the Director is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account 50-1732, and to consider this a petition therefor.

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